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Section 254(e) of the Act, 47 U.S.C. § 254(e), provides that ETCs receiving universal service funding must "use that support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended." To implement this provision, the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") adopted a rule providing that an ETC may receive certain types of federal universal service funding only if the state commission files a certification that all federal high-cost support provided to the carrier will be used as required in Section 254(e).

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Telecommunications Carrier, Final Order, New Mexico Docket No. 98-484-TC, by order dated May 7, 2002. Section 254(e) of the Act, 47 U.S.C. § 254(e), provides that ETCs receiving universal service funding must "use that support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended." To implement this provision, the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") adopted a rule providing that an ETC may receive certain types of federal universal service funding only if the state commission files a certification that all federal high-cost support provided to the carrier will be used as required in Section 254(e). 47 C.F.R. § 54.313 — § 54.314.

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Memorandum Opinion and Order (rel. Dec. 26, 2000). Section 254(e) of the Act, 47 U.S.C. § 254(e), provides that ETCs receiving universal service funding must "use that support only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended." To implement this provision, the FCC adopted a rule providing that an ETC may receive certain types of federal universal service funding only if the state commission files a certification that all federal high-cost support provided to the carrier will be used as required in Section 254(e).

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